

Customs Modernization

May 2001 Status Update for Oversight Organizations

Modernization at-a-Glance

Funding Status

- Committees on Appropriations released \$45M to award contract and Task Orders 1, 2, & 3.
- In September, will request release of final \$80M for initial ACE software functionality and infrastructure.

Timeline

- June: Anticipate award of Task Orders 1, 2, & 3

First Three Tasks

- Establishing of Prime Integration Contractor's program office
- Enterprise engineering for technical architecture and infrastructure
- Requirements definition for the 1st ACE increment

Let's Talk!

The Customs Modernization Office wants to hear from you! Your comments and questions are welcome through our newly developed electronic mailbox:
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Customs Chooses Modernization Partner!

On April 27, the Customs Modernization Program accomplished a major goal—award of the Prime Integration Contract.

The team selected by Customs is the “e-Customs Partnership,” led by IBM Corporation. Key team members include Lockheed Martin Corporation, KPMG Consulting, Computer Sciences Corporation (CSC), and Sandler & Travis Trade Advisory Services (STTAS), Inc. The team also includes Booz, Allen & Hamilton, Inc.; ITS Services, Inc.; and more than 40 small businesses.

As Customs Modernization Partner, the Prime Integration Contractor will help design, build, and deploy new information systems. This team of top-notch companies and highly qualified professionals has successfully executed large information systems projects similar to Modernization.

The team's name, “e-Customs Partnership,” conveys a vision of Customs future as a paperless

organization that uses electronic means to carry out mission responsibilities. The team offers a balance of commercial and government experience that can leverage best practices from both sectors for designing and engineering innovative solutions to Customs challenges.

IBM Global Services will lead and manage the e-Customs Partnership. Lockheed Martin Mission Systems will develop and integrate new systems and software. KPMG Consulting will contribute business transformation, knowledge management, and training expertise. CSC brings extensive experience with information security and telecommunications, and STTAS will provide global trade and Customs expertise.

Combining business and technical knowledge of the e-Customs Partnership, the operational knowledge of Customs employees, as well as input from stakeholders like the trade community, is Customs blueprint for successfully building the modernized systems that will meet mission and stakeholder needs.

“The selection of our Modernization Partner is a significant achievement for Customs. We can now begin bringing 21st century business practices to America's borders.”

—Charles W. Winwood
Acting Commissioner
U.S. Customs Service

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